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## Ontarians oppose land transfer tax

### REAL ESTATE

### Fees would double to more than \$7K for buyers: Board



**Michael  
Woods**  
Metro | Ottawa

A new municipal land transfer tax would cost Ottawa homebuyers more than \$7,000 extra for an average-priced home, according to a real estate industry group.

The province is considering giving municipalities the power to impose a new land transfer tax. But the real estate industry is mounting heavy opposition to the idea.

A new poll commissioned by the Ontario Real Estate Association says 89 per cent of Ontarians outside

Toronto oppose it. Toronto is the only city in the province that has its own land transfer tax.

The Ottawa Real Estate Board claims that a new land transfer tax in Ottawa, introduced at a similar rate to Toronto's, would see homebuyers pay an additional \$7,200 at the closing of an average-priced home.

"It would double what they already pay in land transfer tax," said board president David Oikle. "Ottawa buyers are already stretched. They can't take another tax burden like the municipal land transfer tax."

Many Ontario cities are facing funding problems, saddled with the cost of funding infrastructure that traditional revenue sources such as property taxes can't cover. The City of Ottawa is facing a projected \$52-million deficit this year.

But Mayor Jim Watson told reporters last week the idea of a municipal land transfer tax isn't high on his priority list.

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Ontario Education Minister Liz Sandals scrums with reporters at the legislature in Toronto on Tuesday. Inset: Progressive Conservative Leader Patrick Brown.

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# Ontario reaches tentative deal with public elementary teachers

## EDUCATION

### Details won't be released until they are ratified

Ontario reached tentative contract deals Monday with public elementary teachers as well as support staff in most schools, ending their work-to-rule campaigns.

The deals with the Elementary Teachers' Federation of Ontario and the Canadian Union of Public Employees were the last major education sector agreements to be reached in a fraught and controversial round of bargaining under a new system.

But a deal still hasn't been

reached with education workers represented in some communities by the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation and, because they are continuing their administrative strike, the government has given trustee associations power to dock the workers' pay 10 per cent.

"Job action is negatively impacting our students," Education Minister Liz Sandals said.

OSSTF president Paul Elliott said his union won't "respond to threats."

"Our support staff members have been without a contract for fourteen months and they will not cease any job sanctions until a tentative central deal has been reached," he said in a statement.

The details of the ETFO and CUPE deals won't be released



**Schools have become increasingly dirty and we are increasingly concerned about the health, safety and well-being of our students.** Liz Sandals

until they are ratified, but Sandals said the major terms for elementary teachers, such as salary, are similar to those for English Catholic and public school teachers.

Those deals included raises of 1.5 per cent plus another one-per-cent bonus. And, like those deals, Sandals said these new agreements are net zero, meaning any salary increases are offset by savings elsewhere. The savings did not come at the expense of student programming, she said.

One major difference between the deals reached with ETFO and CUPE and the other unions is that these did not come with payments from the government to cover the unions' negotiating expenses.

Sandals has defended the payments — \$2.5 million this year — as being necessary because a new bargaining system made this round quite lengthy.

The government also paid some education unions a total of \$1.24 million in 2008 and 2012, when transition to the

new system began, including \$461,000 to CUPE.

ETFO said it would not accept any such payment from the government and Sandals said each negotiation is different.

"I think when we were looking at the agreements earlier in the year, we were looking at reaching the first agreements and we were looking at avoiding strike action," she said. "In this case we've had significant ongoing strike action and we're not trying to stop it, so we're dealing with a bit of a different circumstance."

ETFO's 78,000 members began job action in May, escalating their work-to-rule campaign near the beginning of the school year and again last month when they withdrew from extracurricular activities.

The teachers will now be preparing full progress reports, including comments, Sandals said.

The education minister and Premier Kathleen Wynne announced last month that members of ETFO, CUPE and OSSTF education workers on work-to-rule campaigns could have their pay docked. Sandals said she believes that helped move negotiations with ETFO and CUPE along.

"I think they did come to understand as the weekend and the day-to-day unfolded that we actually were serious about giving consent in the event we didn't reach deals," she said. "That certainly facilitated people concentrating and getting down to the deals."

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## IMPAIRED DRIVING

## Suspect arrested twice in one day



**Joe Lofaro**  
Metro | Ottawa

The OPP say they arrested an Ottawa man twice in the same day and seized two cars he was operating, following an initial charge of impaired driving.

After responding to a call for a collision, OPP Const. Sean Byrne attended the scene and found a half-ton pickup truck had struck a concrete barrier in the eastbound lane of Highway 417 on Oct. 29. Police say the driver of the commercial vehicle was intoxicated.

Scott Beauregard, 33, was charged with impaired driving and driving over the legal blood-alcohol limit. His licence was suspended, and the vehicle he was driving was impounded for seven days.

He was later released, but it didn't take long for the driver to get another visit from an officer.

Police say he got into another vehicle after he was released and drove himself to a tow-truck yard to collect his personal belongings from the impounded truck, which was not registered in his name.

Police were called to the scene and arrested Beauregard a second time.

A road-side breath test came up in the warning range — between .05 to .08 — as the alcohol had not yet left his system, according to OPP Const. Cynthia Savard.

He was charged with driving while suspended and was suspended for another three days, said Savard.

The second vehicle he was driving was also not registered in his name, police say.

# Liberals work to fill staff positions at MPs' offices

## POLITICS

## Conservative and NDP jobs leaving town



**Michael Woods**  
Metro | Ottawa

After a historic seat gain on Oct. 19, the Liberals are casting a wide net in their efforts to fill new MPs' offices with key political staffers.

The incoming Liberal majority government means a mas-

sive turnover in the political offices of the capital, with an exodus of NDP and Conservative staffers and an influx of new Liberal workers.

Some estimates have pegged the overall number of political staffers leaving town at more than 1,000.

The Conservatives, down to 99 seats, are losing people who aren't eager to stick around to work in opposition after the party's near-decade in power.

And about 300 NDP staffers are losing their jobs, with the party relegated from the official Opposition to 44 MPs



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communication, policy, operations, stakeholder engagement, parliamentary affairs and administration. Applicants can check off as many of those boxes as they please.

The Liberals confirmed Monday that Trudeau will attend four international meetings in the next month or so: the Nov. 15-16 G20 leaders' summit in Turkey, the Nov. 18-19 APEC economic leaders' meeting in the Philippines, the Nov. 27-29 Commonwealth Heads of Government meeting in Malta and the UN climate-change conference in Paris that starts Nov. 30.



**SAUDI EMBASSY SUPPORT FOR BADAWI** Protesters take part in a rally outside the Embassy of Saudi Arabia in Ottawa on Monday, calling for the release of Raif Badawi. The group had planned to deliver 31,000 letters as they call for his release, but the embassy turned them down. SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS



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**Crime Prevention Ottawa recognized Staff Sgt. David Zackrias Monday night at the Community Safety Awards gala. He heads the Ottawa Police Diversity and Race Relations Division.**

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# Officer's outreach effort recognized

## AWARD

### War memorial shooting prompted visits to city mosques



**Joe Lofaro**  
Metro | Ottawa

An Ottawa police officer who made personal visits to the city's Muslim community immediately after a shooting on Parliament Hill was recognized by Crime Prevention Ottawa Monday night.

Staff Sgt. David Zackrias, who heads the Ottawa Police Diversity and Race Relations Division, was awarded the Enforcement Award at Crime Prevention Ottawa's 2015 Community Safety Awards gala.

About two hours after a gunman fatally shot down a soldier at the National War Memorial and continued his attack on Parliament Hill on Oct. 22, 2014, Zackrias and his colleague Ha-

mid Mousa were already visiting Ottawa mosques to show their support.

"Literally two hours after the shooting we were mobile, driving to various locations and we met with various leaders in the community," explained Zackrias, before accepting the award.

He said such attacks in other parts of the world have had a tendency to spur hate-crime incidents, so the same-day visit was the Diversity and Race Relations' attempt to mitigate that. In the day after the shooting, the As-sunnah Muslims Association mosque on Hunt Club Road had a window smashed by a rock.

"We wanted to ensure that we prevent that and show support to the community that was impacted by this incident, that we are there to work with them, prevent them from being vulnerable to hate crime incidents," said Zackrias.

Later that week, he also attended the Masjid Bilal mosque on Innes Road to let the congregation know that police were there to help them through the

## + RECIPIENTS

Other award winners include Tammy Corner, the Ottawa Coalition to End Violence Against Women, Stanford Miaro, Const. Jacques Carrière, PACT-Ottawa (Persons Against the Crime of Trafficking in Humans), and OC Transpo.

incident, which put the Muslim community on alert.

Zackrias also planned a panel discussion on radicalization last spring at the Pinecrest-Queensway Community Health Centre after one of its staff members, Awso Peshdary, was arrested in February on terrorism charges.

He said he was very honoured to receive recognition from Crime Prevention Ottawa.

"This is a true reflection of the trust that the community has built with the Ottawa Police Service and I strongly feel very proud to have played a role in building that trust."

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The force will have to find savings in other areas, says Ottawa Police Chief Charles Bordeleau.  
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# Police begin study of staffing needs

BUDGET

## Chief explains overtime costs behind probe



Joe Lofaro  
Metro | Ottawa

The Ottawa Police Service said this month it will begin a six-month study on staffing priorities as it faces a projected \$700,000 deficit in overtime costs.

Certain units within the force, such as the Emergency Services Unit, are being stretched to cope with their workloads. The unit handles special events, demonstrations, and missing persons cases.

"The services that the Emergency Services Unit provides is

very specialized and we're seeing a trend where they're being required more often now," Ottawa Police Chief Charles Bordeleau told Metro on Monday.

The need for officers working on missing persons cases is also on the rise, he said.

But despite these staffing pressures, Bordeleau says the force will find savings in other areas to offset the overtime costs. "So we're still tracking to present a balanced budget by year end."

The overtime costs help explain his commitment to 25 more officers next year as part of the Ottawa police draft budget. The budget promise will cost an estimated \$1.3 million.

The impetus behind the staffing study, which will run Nov. 16 to May 1, stems from a directive from the superintendents for a new staffing priori-

tization model.

Insp. Scott Brown said the model was first used during the summer to cover vacation time.

"This shift of resources will mitigate staffing pressures on Patrol, provide the reassigned members with a stable work assignment period, and allow for a 6 month study to take place," Brown wrote in an email.

Police will examine how the new model affects workload, including calls, officer availability, overtime, Emergency Service Unit call-outs, training requirements, forecasted 2016 and 2017 staffing pressures, and other factors.

Police said homicides in the first four months of 2015 also resulted in "a high level of overtime." The Major Crime Unit was called in to investigate the homicides of Yusuf Ibrahim, 27, on Feb. 6 and Connor Stevenson, 18, on April 14.

FUNDRAISER

## Kevin Vickers back home for charity

Canada's former Sergeant-at-arms Kevin Vickers, who was hailed as a hero after his role protecting parliament in last year's Ottawa shooting, will be the keynote speaker at the Ottawa Police Service Gala this weekend.

Vickers, who is now Canada's ambassador to Ireland, was commended for helping to end the rampage in Centre Block on Oct. 22, 2014, by shooting down gunman Michael Zehaf Bibeau.

The annual gala raises funds for local charities, including Youth Services Bureau, Christie Lake Kids, and the Boys and Girls Club of Ottawa.

This year's gala will raise funds for Ottawa Food Bank and the Caring and Sharing Exchange.

The gala will be held Saturday, Nov. 7 at the Shaw Centre. Tickets are available at ottawafoodbank.ca and caringandsharing.ca.

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### IN BRIEF

#### Sex assault charges laid

Ottawa police have charged a man following alleged sexual assaults. The force was following up on reports of women being drugged and sexually assaulted. Two incidents allegedly occurred in an apartment near Bronson Avenue and Nepean Street. Michael Andreyechen, 41, of North Bay faces two counts each of sexual assault, administering a noxious substance and secretly recording a person for a sexual purpose. He's to appear in court Tuesday. METRO

# Picnic with a difference

ALEXANDRA BRIDGE

## Span will be grassed over for 2017 event



**Lucy Scholey**  
Metro | Ottawa

The Alexandra Bridge will turn into a long grassy knoll for

thousands of picnickers in 2017.

The first mass interprovincial picnic is the newest event to grace Ottawa's roster of Canada's sesquicentennial festivities. On July 2, 2017, about 2,000 families are expected to roll out their checkered blankets and open baskets of sandwiches on the steel bridge.

It's a post-Canada Day celebration meant to keep tourists in the nation's capital for an extra day or two. But the scenic

lunch overlooking the Ottawa River will be no regular picnic in the park. It will likely cost \$5 to \$10 to rent a grassy plot.

"We want it to be an affordable family event where people can just come and have a very unique experience," said Ottawa Mayor Jim Watson, who announced the event on Monday over croissants with Gatineau Mayor Maxime Pedneaud-Jobin at a picnic table on the bridge, set atop a grassy square.

Manderley Turf Products Inc. will donate the sod, which will then be handed over to local community groups.

The Ottawa 2017 budget for the picnic is about \$50,000; rental fees will offset some of that. The bridge can accommodate about 650 families at a time. Three seatings will take place.

Families can start signing up in July 2016. There will be more details on the Ottawa 2017 website.

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House of Barons barber Jeffrey Rafuse gives the mayor a close shave to kick off Movember. HALEY RITCHIE/METRO

MOVEMBER

## Mayor joins 'stache for cash campaign



**Haley Ritchie**  
Metro | Ottawa

Mayor Jim Watson started the day with a clean shave to celebrate Movember, courtesy of House of Barons barber Jeffrey Rafuse.

Media were invited to watch the mayor get an old-school straight-razor shave, while he sat in a 100-year-old barber chair brought to City Hall for the occasion.

"Movember is committed to creating positive change for men's health by creating awareness, educating men all year round, as well as the moustache growing campaign in November," said Watson.

Watson officially declared November 2015 as "Movember Month" in the City of Ottawa and handed a framed certificate to the charity's Ottawa volunteer committee.

Participants are encouraged to start with a clean shave at the beginning of the month and seek donations while growing out a moustache over the course of November.

Since 2003, the organization has raised over \$676 million for

medical research and awareness programs, according to the Movember website.

This year the campaign is focused on promoting physical activity, mental health awareness and prostate exams.

"Everyone probably knows someone who's been affected in one way or another by prostate cancer or depression issues," said Watson. "The theme this year is physical activity. The challenge we have is physical inactivity with a growing obesity (rate) in Canada."

"I think women's health issues have been very well promoted over the years, whether it's the (fund-raising) runs or breast cancer actions and so on. Men's health is not talked about by men as often as it should be," he added.

While Watson said he won't be growing a moustache himself, he said members of his staff sporting a 'stache will get his support through donations.

"I'm heading to an official trip to China, so I don't want to have a scruffy moustache," he said. "Not everyone has to grow a moustache but they wanted people to get involved and talk about men's health issues."

### IN BRIEF

#### Group receives funds to build 42 affordable homes

The Carlington Community Health Hub Joint Partnership has been chosen to build 42 affordable housing homes with integrated health and social supports for older adults.

The project, which will receive \$4.6 million in capital funding and is scheduled to begin in 2016, is a partnership between Ottawa Community Housing and the Carlington Community Health Centre.

"This is exciting news of an innovative project that increases the number of affordable housing homes in our city geared towards the needs of older adults," Mayor Jim Watson said.

"A stable and secure home is a basic necessity of life. With this project, we will provide older adults with access to a home and health services that will improve their quality of life as well as the well-being of the entire community."

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# No to tolls and taxes: Mayor

## INFRASTRUCTURE

### Watson rejects calls for fees on congestion, more roads



**Haley Ritchie**  
Metro | Ottawa

Ottawa Mayor Jim Watson is saying no to congestion taxes and toll roads.

The idea of more toll roads was suggested Monday in a report released by Canada's Ecofiscal Commission, calling for higher fees to cut down on gridlock.

"That's something that I'm not interested in on a local level," said Watson. "I don't support a congestion tax, I think we want to encourage people to come into the downtown and we still have

capacity."

Watson said he would be open to charging single drivers a fee to use the city's high occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes, now restricted to cars with more than one person in them.

The provincial government has proposed turning some existing carpooling lanes into High-Occupancy toll (HOT) lanes and charging single drivers for using them.

"I think they're helpful, obviously they're not as well used as perhaps we'd like them to be because there are a lot of single drivers going around the city," said Watson.

"My view is if the province wants to offer some kind of incentive for people to use an HOV lane if there's only one person in the car I don't have a problem with that," he said. "Aside from that I wouldn't go any further."

While the Ecofiscal Commission proposed the new measures as a way to manage traf-

**"We want to encourage people to come into the downtown and we still have capacity."**

Ottawa Mayor  
Jim Watson

fic, the congestion tax and toll roads would also bring in more revenue for the city.

They could be one way for the city to chip away at this year's projected \$52-million deficit, but Watson said there are other solutions.

"Of course it would be a good revenue source but the easy thing to do in politics is to look for easy revenue sources," he said. "My view is we have to continue to trim our own budget back and live within our means."



**Mayor Jim Watson said he would be open to charging single drivers a fee to use high occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes, restricted to cars with more than one person in them.**

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## CONTROVERSY

### Backlash follows head of Barrhaven BIA's costume

The executive director of the Barrhaven Business Improvement Area (BIA) is in hot water on social media for her "native" Halloween costume.

The photo, posted by Andrea Steenbakkers to her Facebook account, shows her wearing a feathered headband, beaded necklace and brown dress. The photo has since been made private. Aboriginal musician Ian Campeau posted the screenshot of the costume to Twitter and Facebook, prompting outrage from local followers.

"This is what Andrea Steenbakkers thinks is an appropriate costume for 2015," Campeau wrote on Facebook.

"Please feel free to tweet them your disgust for a public figure making fun of indigenous women during the times of investigating (missing and murdered Aboriginal women)," Campeau added. Steenbakkers could not be reached for comment. **HALEY RITCHIE/METRO**

## EVENT

### Human library taps feminism



**Lucy Scholey**  
Metro | Ottawa

The annual Human Library in Ottawa allows anyone to "take out" the interesting likes of journalists, artists, sex workers, doctors, immigrants and more for one-on-one chats.

But now a new eclectic collection of feminist "books" will be available to reserve at City Hall this week.

The Match International

Women's Fund is hosting the first feminist human library, Match Up, on Thursday.

Oxfam Canada executive director Julie Delahanty, Somerset Coun. Catherine McKenney, Hollaback! Ottawa director Julie Lalonde, and CBC anchor Adrian Harewood will be among the 12 local and global feminist activists.

Jess Tomlin, executive director of Match who's also a volunteer "book," said the event is a chance to have conversations with those who are running

the "marathon" of the feminist movement.

"These human books will have interesting insights about how they have stayed the course," she said. "It's not a race, it's a marathon. Building a movement takes time."

Tickets to the feminist library at Ottawa City Hall cost \$45 or \$15 for students or other folks who can't afford the regular price. All proceeds will go to the Match International Women's Fund. The event runs from 5 p.m. until about 8 p.m.

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# Newcomer nurses key to crisis: Study

## HEALTH CARE

### Canada faces shortfall of 60,000 by year 2022

As baby boomers age, Canada faces a looming health-care crunch that will be exacerbated by a projected shortage of tens of thousands of nurses.

That makes it more important than ever for Canada to help foreign-trained nurses qualify to practice here, according to a Conference Board of Canada study.

Each dollar invested by Ottawa and provincial governments in helping registered nurses acquire Canadian licences generates \$9 in future income tax revenue — a ninefold return, according to the study — not to mention their contributions to the care of the country's rapidly aging population.

With seniors outnumbering children for the first time ever, according to new Statistics Canada figures, and a projected shortage of 60,000 nurses by 2022, investing in bridging programs makes immense sense, experts say.

"This is a win-win for Canada and the internationally educated nurses (IEN)," said Michael Bloom, the conference board's



**Ghanaian-trained RN Janet Kwansah came to Canada in 2010 and now works as a public health nurse.** TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE.

vice-president in charge of industry and business strategy. "The concept of investing in career bridging programs is good and sound. It yields returns."

According to the study, more than half of immigrants with health professional backgrounds have trouble getting their foreign credentials recognized in Canada, compared to just 40 per cent in other regulated professions.

Internationally educated nurses (IENs) "choose Canada as their home, and bring their passion for nursing to this country," said Joanne Roth, interim executive director of the CARE Centre for Internationally Educated Nurses.

"They also invest their own money in passing exams and returning to practice. It's in everyone's interest to help newcomer professionals succeed."

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## PRIVACY

### Drone policy on the way: Commissioner

The federal government should consider restricting the use of small camera-equipped drones near "sensitive and protected" areas such as residential neighbourhoods, schoolyards and prisons, says the federal privacy czar.

In a submission to Transport Canada, the office of privacy commissioner Daniel Therrien also calls for some means to "readily identify" operators of the flying devices, given their powerful surveillance capabilities.

Next year the government plans to introduce regulatory requirements for small drones — weighing 25 kilograms or less — operated within visual line of sight.

A notice published by the federal Canadian Aviation Regulations Advisory Council says the coming regulations will build on the regime already in place for larger drones, or unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs).

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**A staff member from DJI Technology Co. shows off his Phantom 2 Vision+ drone.** THE CANADIAN PRESS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

## INFRASTRUCTURE

### Economist says Liberals should pump brakes on spending

A noted economist says the incoming Liberal government should slow its grand plan for billions in new infrastructure spending to make sure the money provides the most economic bang.

Jack Mintz says the infrastructure program should emphasize what he calls "productivity enhancing infrastructure," such as roads, highways, rail lines and ports that can shorten commutes for workers in cities and more easily move products to foreign markets.

"That's where the emphasis should be," he said at a Monday news conference on Parliament Hill.

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# MPs to vote on bill

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## Politicians weigh benefits of adopting new powers

The 338 MPs of the 42nd Parliament will have the opportunity this week to formally adopt new powers — the question is, will they view the changes as in their political interest?

Already, the NDP is signalling it likely won't support all or any of the new provisions in the Parliament of Canada Act, which originated in a Private Member's Bill by Conservative MP Michael Chong.

The Liberals are only just beginning to consider the implications. One high-level source suggested many inside the party don't see the need to bind themselves by the provisions.

NDP House Leader Peter Julian refers to Chong's bill, passed into law in June, as the "Conservative Reform Act."

When he put forward the bill, Chong said it was designed to rebalance power between



NDP House Leader Peter Julian asks a question in the House of Commons in Ottawa in May.

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MPs and the party leaders.

The four changes that each caucus will need to vote on before they get to anything else are:

- Whether MPs have the power to trigger a secret ballot leadership review after 20 per cent of them request one.

- Whether MPs have the power to suspend and reinstate colleagues via secret ballot.
- Whether MPs have the power to elect interim leaders.
- Whether MPs have the power to elect and eject their caucus chairpersons.

The Conservatives are facing

the tricky question of whether to exclude senators from their vote for interim leader. The Chong bill specifies that only MPs can participate in the votes, while the Conservative constitution refers to the parliamentary caucus.

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STUDENTS

## Feds mull points as loan repayment

Graduates who owe the federal government money on their student loans could soon have the chance to use travel reward points to help pay their debts.

The previous Conservative government gave the political go-ahead in February for Employment and Social Development Canada to work out a deal with Higher Ed Points, a private company that lets registered students put reward points like those collected through Aeroplan towards tuition and loan payments.

The program is in place in two provinces, Alberta and Ontario, but a move to the federal level would reach the hundreds of thousands more students as

the majority of student assistance flows through the Canada Student Loans program.

The company told federal officials that up to 820,000 student loan recipients who still owe the government money could end up paying off part of their debt with Aeroplan points. For instance, 35,000 Aeroplan points would repay \$250 of unpaid debt.

Officials viewed the number with some skepticism, based on a briefing note, telling then-employment minister Pierre Poilievre "there is little data available about how students are using Higher Ed Points for student loan repayment."

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### + BY THE NUMBERS

**Student loans from the 2013-2014 school year**  
**515,279:** Full-time and part-time students in receipt of financial aid from the federal government.  
**\$3.4 billion:** Amount in assistance those students received.

**\$715 million:** Amount of that assistance in the form of non-repayable grants.  
**203,028:** Borrowers who couldn't afford repayments and who had the government cover part of their interest payments.

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POLITICS

## Cartoonists kept on their toes



Mallory Chate  
For Metro

Prime minister-designate Justin Trudeau is proving to be a breath of fresh air for some political cartoonists.

With a career based, literally, around drawing attention to world events, it's helpful to have some new characters in the mix once in awhile, said Graeme MacKay, a Hamilton cartoonist whose work appears in the Hamilton Spectator.

After 10 years of practice, MacKay says he can draw outgoing prime minister Stephen Harper "with my eyes closed."

Artists live for the crazy moments that come with the territory of political cartooning, noting Trudeau is less stage



Graeme MacKay drew this Justin Trudeau piece, which is one of MacKay's favourites. COURTESY GRAEME MACKAY

managed than Harper was, which could lead to some interesting moments.

Then again, "politics is politics," said Halifax-based cartoonist Michael de Adder

whose works appear in papers across the country.

"It doesn't matter who's in power," he said. "You sit around waiting for them to make their first mistake."

SEXUAL COMMENTS CASE

## Apologetic engineer gets re-hired



Luke Simcoe  
Metro | Toronto

Shawn Simoes has his job back at Hydro One, largely because he is very, very sorry for his actions last May at BMO field in Toronto, his lawyer said.

Simoes was fired from his job as a network management engineer after he was caught on camera defending a man who shouted sexually explicit comments, abbreviated as "FHRITP," at Citytv reporter Shauna Hunt outside a Toronto FC game.

Hydro One announced Monday that Simoes had been re-

hired following arbitration.

Simoes was remorseful after the incident, accepted responsibility and apologized to Hunt and Hydro One, lawyer Tracey Henry said. He also made a donation to the White Ribbon Campaign and attended sensitivity training.

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## MIGRANT CRISIS

## Germany to deport Afghans

Afghanistan will take back all its citizens to be deported from Germany as the European country struggles to accommodate hundreds of thousands of refugees and other migrants who have arrived there this year, a Kabul official said.

Afghans currently make up the second largest nationality, after Syrians, arriving in Europe. So far this year, an estimated 120,000 Afghans have left the country, legally and illegally, according to authorities.

Germany, a longtime contributor to international forces in Afghanistan and with currently 944 soldiers in NATO's support and training mission there, has been feeling the pressure of the rising numbers of people coming in.

Last week, Germany's interior minister complained of an "unacceptable" influx of Afghans from relatively safe areas of their country, and warned that many of them would have to return home.

It isn't clear how many Afghans Germany might try to send back. However, German officials have been keen to stress that only people genuinely fleeing war and persecution are entitled to asylum.

The Taliban have fought a particularly vicious warm-weather offensive this year, testing the capabilities of Afghan forces following the international combat troops' departure at the end of last year.

President Barack Obama announced in the wake of the Kunduz fight that he would leave U.S. troops in Afghanistan at current levels of 9,800 through 2016, rather than halving the figure at the end of this year.

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# Cause of Russian jet crash continues to stymie experts

## EGYPT

## Human error and terrorism both on table: Investigators

Mystery and confusion surrounded the final moments of a Russian jetliner that plummeted suddenly from high altitude to the Egyptian desert, killing all 224 people aboard. The airline Monday ruled out pilot error or a technical fault, but Russian

aviation officials dismissed that as premature.

Some aviation experts raised the possibility a bomb on board the Metrojet Airbus A321-200 brought it down.

James Clapper, the U.S. director of national intelligence, said that while there is no direct evidence of any terrorist involvement yet, it couldn't be excluded.

Asked if a terrorist attack could be ruled out, President Vladimir Putin's spokesman, Dmitry Peskov, said no.

The Metrojet was flying at

**A bomb was placed during the stopover and programmed to explode after takeoff, or a mechanic sabotaged the plane.**

Robert Galan, French aviation expert



31,000 feet over the Sinai when it crashed Saturday only 23 minutes after takeoff.

Metrojet firmly denied that the crash could have been caused by either equipment failure or crew error.

"The only possible explanation could be an external impact

on the airplane," Metrojet's deputy director Alexander Smirnov told a news conference in Moscow.

In televised comments from Egypt, Nerdadko said it would be possible to draw conclusions about the crash only after experts examined the plane's flight

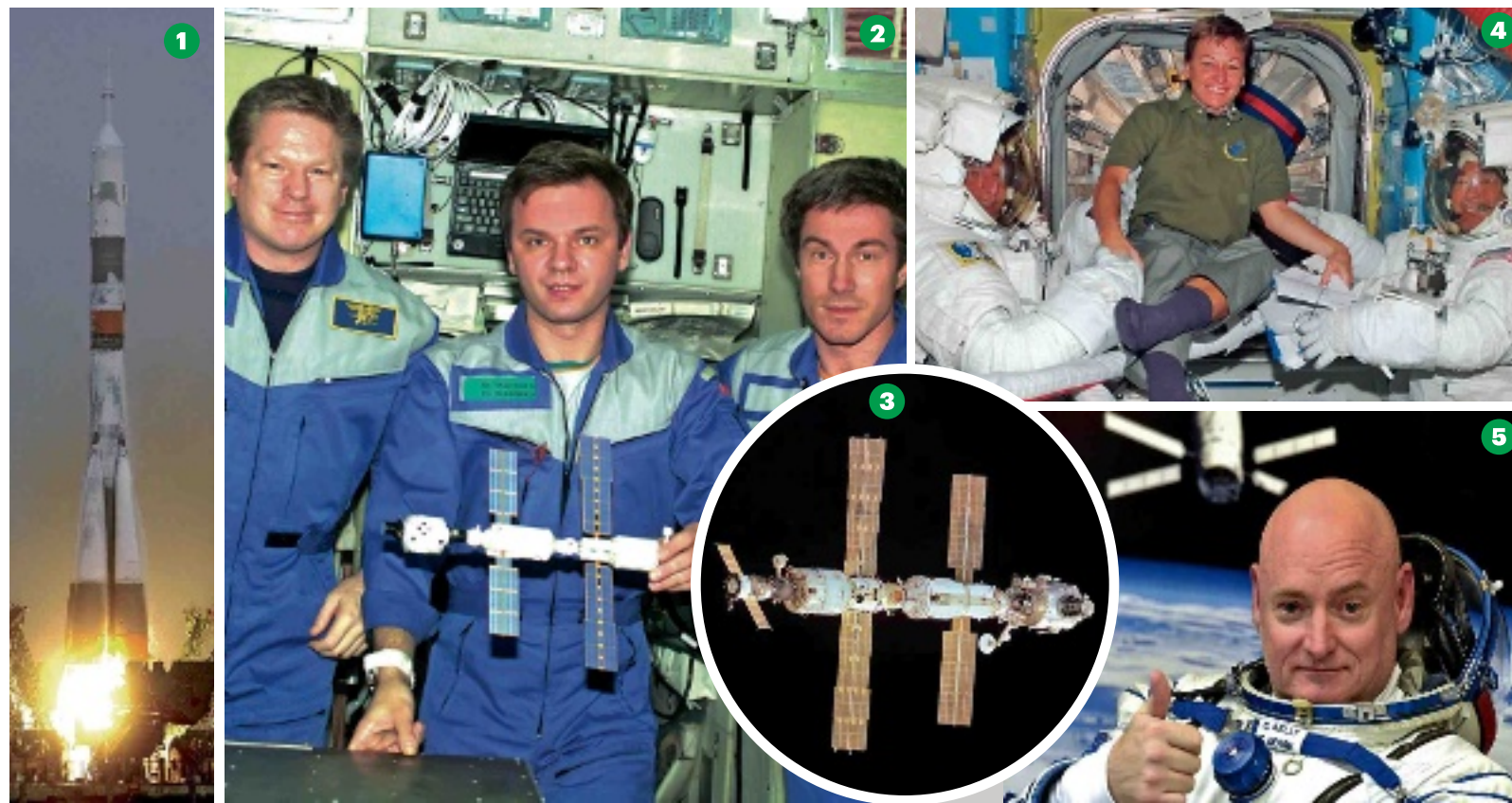
data and cockpit voice recorders and studied the wreckage.

British military analyst Paul Beaver said he thought the crash was likely caused by a bomb.

Robert Galan, a French aviation expert, said Metrojet's claim of an "external impact" pointed to two possibilities: a bomb or sabotage.

"Either a bomb was placed during the stopover and programmed to explode after takeoff, or a mechanic sabotaged the plane," he said. "These are the two most probable hypotheses."

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## Space Station marks 15 years

Humankind marked an off-the-planet pinnacle Monday: the 15th anniversary of continuous residency at the International Space Station.

NASA and its global partners celebrated the milestone, as did the six astronauts on board. The U.S., Russian and Japanese space men planned a special dinner 250 miles up.

Commander Scott Kelly, seven months into a yearlong mission, said the biggest benefit of the orbiting lab is goals for exploring deeper into space.

"The space station really is a bridge. It's a test bed for the technologies that we need to develop and understand in order to

have a successful trip to Mars," American astronaut Kjell Lindgren said at a news conference.

Since the first permanent crew moved in on Nov. 2, 2000, 220 people have come and gone, representing 17 countries.

The United States is in the lead because of all the space shuttle flights that were needed to deliver station pieces; Russia is in second place, and Canada and Japan tied for third. At least one American and one Russian have been on board at all times.

The most important experiment, Kelly said, is about keeping humans alive in space. His one-year mission with Russian Mikhail Kornienko, due to end

in March, includes 400 experiments, many of them medical. Americans have never spent this long in space; the Russians have, but it was decades ago on the former Mir station.

NASA puts the number of experiments at this space station, over the years, at more than 1,760. NASA hopes to keep the complex running until 2024.

Japanese astronaut Kimiya Yui said the space station has yielded a unique culture given all the nationalities involved, with the crew members respecting each other. If this were practiced back on the planet, he noted, "the Earth will be a much better place." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

**1 ISS pioneers — Oct. 31, 2000:** A Soyuz spacecraft lifts off from Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan with Expedition 1 Cmdr. William M. (Bill) Shepherd of NASA and cosmonauts Sergei Krikalev and Yuri Gidzenko. The trio arrived at the International Space Station (ISS) on Nov. 2, 2000.

**2 Live, work, space — Nov. 2, 2000:** Shepherd, Gidzenko and Krikalev are the first crew to live and work on the International Space Station, marking the start of an uninterrupted human presence on the orbiting laboratory.

**3 Home away from home — Dec. 2, 2000:** The configuration of the space station at the start of Expedition 1.

**4 Woman at the helm — Oct. 10, 2007:** Peggy A. Whitson was the first woman to command the ISS.

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**5 Well-suited for spacewalks — March 27, 2015:** U.S. astronaut Scott Kelly has his space suit tested at the Russian-leased Baikonur Cosmodrome. A crew consisting of Kelly and two other cosmonauts blasted off to the ISS from Baikonur on March 28 of this year. PHOTO: GETTY IMAGES

### IN BRIEF

#### Central, southern Britain fog affects flights, roads

Flights were cancelled across Britain as thick fog blanketed much of the country a second day. Heathrow Airport cancelled 45 flights Monday morning. Flights also were scrapped at London's City and Gatwick airports and at Manchester Airport. Meanwhile, Highways England has urged drivers to slow down or stay home. Weather forecasting body the Met Office said the fog was expected to lift later Monday.

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# BlackBerry releases first Android phone

## TECHNOLOGY

### Division's survival depends on Priv's success

The future of BlackBerry's smartphone business may very well be sitting in your hands later this week.

The BlackBerry Priv, the company's first Android device, marks what could be a last-ditch attempt by the Waterloo, Ontario-based developer to create a phone popular enough to save its struggling hardware division.

If the Priv doesn't sell, it's almost certain BlackBerry will pull the plug on designing phones after a series of sales flops whittled down its thriving device business into a money-losing operation.

"BlackBerry's handset business rides on the success or fail-



The BlackBerry Priv is displayed in Toronto on Friday.

GRAEME ROY/THE CANADIAN PRESS

ure of the Priv," said technology analyst Carmi Levy.

"If this device doesn't turn the sales tide around, expect a quick decision in the new year."

After being pummelled by the likes of Apple and Samsung, BlackBerry is doing what some

of its critics say should've happened years ago: appealing to existing smartphone trends instead of fighting against them.

For first time in its history, BlackBerry will be selling a phone beginning Friday that doesn't run on its own operating

system, using Google's Android system instead.

It's a compromise with the mainstream on almost every level. On the surface, its larger touch screen evokes the design of most smartphones on the market, while a slider keyboard caters to more traditional BlackBerry users who still favour one of the company's most beloved features.

In naming the device Priv — short for privacy and privilege — the company hopes to tap into a conversation about how we unknowingly share our personal details with third parties through various phone apps.

The Priv arrives in stores two years after concepts for the device began to take shape.

Over the coming weeks, BlackBerry will unveil a marketing campaign it says forgoes the traditional launch event in favour of spending on advertising throughout the crucial holiday shopping season.

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## FOSSIL FUELS

### Investors losing interest in oilsands

An exchange-traded fund that let investors track Canada's oilsands sector was quietly put out of its misery in late August.

Consultant Timothy Nash, who coaches clients on where and how they can make low-carbon investments, said the decision by BlackRock Asset Management Canada to close its nine-year-old fund was telling, suggesting there was likely low market demand for the product.

BlackRock said the fund's closure was part of a routine re-evaluation of its product lineup.

The iShares Oil Sands Index ETF was in rough shape. A dollar invested when the fund was launched in October 2006 would get back 34 cents on the day it was terminated. During its final year, the fund lost 45 per cent of its value.

Options for those looking to reduce their exposure to fossil fuels include renewable energy and water ETFs and an emerging class of investment called community bonds, which in Ontario are commonly used by co-operatives to raise funds for local renewable energy projects. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

## IN BRIEF

### TransCanada asks U.S. to pause Keystone pipeline

TransCanada Corp., the company behind the Keystone XL pipeline from Alberta to Texas, has asked the U.S. government — in a letter to U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry — to temporarily suspend its application.

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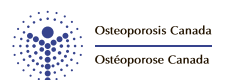


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## EMMA TEITEL: ON MOVEMBER

### Good things done for wrong or unsavoury reasons — social-media attention, for example — are more far-reaching than good deeds done in private.



American author Kurt Vonnegut was not fond of November, an awkward, meteorologically confusing month he believed we wrongly associated with autumn. “The poetry of four seasons is all wrong for this part of the planet,” he wrote. “Spring doesn’t feel like spring a lot of the time, and November is all wrong for autumn.”

But Vonnegut didn’t believe November was a winter month either. Instead, he thought November belonged to a hybrid season of his own invention, one he labelled “Locking” — when the days get shorter, the nights get colder and life in general seems to close in on itself — making way for legitimate and unforgiving winter around January.

(In a similar fashion, Vonnegut labelled March and April “Unlocking” months, when the world slowly opens up for true spring in May and June.)

Vonnegut’s theory is convincing — especially if you’re a Canadian used to prolonged awfulness outdoors. But it’s also outdated. Vonnegut’s November (he died in 2007) was starkly different from November today: a month no longer perceived as a dull layover between Halloween and Christmas, nor defined by unpleasant weather and ennui, but by something else entirely: raising money to battle men’s cancers by rejoicing in the facial hair growth of friends, family and co-workers.

November is no longer a bleak season of “Locking,”

**It’s nice to have something positive to partake in, rather than merely stewing in bleak boredom before winter sets in.**

then; it is the official season of Growing Facial Hair and it is a massively popular one.

The campaign responsible for this shift is called Movember. It is active in 21 countries worldwide, encouraging participants (“Mo bros”) to grow moustaches in order to raise awareness about cancers that affect men (prostate cancer, for example).



**GROWING SEASON** There’s nothing more pretentious than criticizing charity efforts, such as Movember fundraising for men’s health, for being too ostentatious, argues Emma Teitel. LORATO/ISTOCK

In the last 11 years, according to the campaign’s website, Movember has raised \$677 million for men’s health; last November, it raised \$24 million in Canada alone.

Movember is heavily reliant on social media for both exposure and fundraising (moustache selfies are extremely popular), which means even if you aren’t involved, you will most likely come across a Facebook friend’s proud picture or request for donation.

Despite its success, Movember has attracted a considerable amount of controversy in the last few years. Some of that controversy is plain ludicrous: the belief, for example, that Movember discriminates against men who can’t grow moustaches. (I myself can grow a full beard, which

I would attempt for no cause imaginable). But the more popular criticism of the campaign, one echoed in response to other big charity events such as the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge, is the belief, to quote British poet and historian William Hutton, that a “charity that hastens to proclaim its good deeds ceases to be a charity and is only pride

hard cash. Holley asks of the Ice Bucket Challenge: “How many people dumped a bucket over their heads for a laugh compared to those who actually stumped up some cash?”

The problem with this line of thinking is that it insists a charity be ideologically pure; people shouldn’t just do the right things, they should do the right things only for the right reasons.

But good things done for wrong or unsavoury reasons — social-media attention, for example — are more far-reaching than good deeds done in private, and they are far more likely to inspire others to give. A charity that hastens to proclaim its good deeds, to borrow Hutton’s words, may be prideful and ostentatious — but, more importantly, it’s wildly successful.

November — sorry, Movember — is now upon us, and I think it’s quite nice to have something positive to partake in rather than merely stew in the bleak boredom of “Locking” before winter sets in. And I suspect Vonnegut, a thoroughly un-cynical person, might have felt the same way.

As for the hypocrites who dislike Movember because they oppose so-called “hipster moustaches”: There is nothing in the world more annoyingly hipster-ish than turning your nose up at earnest people trying to make the world a better place. Be original for once, and chip in.

**Emma Teitel** is a national columnist for the Toronto Star. She has been a front-of-the-book columnist for Maclean’s magazine for the past four years, focusing on a wide range of subjects including women’s issues and popular culture. She won the National Magazine Awards gold award for columns in 2013.

## ROSEMARY WESTWOOD

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### High housing costs and homelessness are everyone’s problems

So — it really is the foreign buyers.

A new study of detached-home sales in three Vancouver neighbourhoods found two-thirds of all properties sold to Chinese buyers. That figure jumped to 88 per cent of buyers for homes over \$5 million.

It’s more evidence to spur Vancouver — and B.C. — to tackle the foreign-ownership thrust of its ludicrously overpriced housing market.

And that, in turn, is part of a much wider, much more existential housing question facing all levels of government.

NDP MLA David Eby, who provided the raw data to UBC geographer David Ley, called Vancouver’s hyperventilating house prices “a government problem” — namely, how do you create a city average people can afford to live in?

It’s a burning question these days for many in the so-called middle class, who grew up with expectations of someday owning a home, only to age alongside real-estate markets on steroids.

But it’s a question also being asked from the vantage point of the homeless.

In a ruling released late last month, the B.C. Supreme Court found Abbotsford violated the rights of homeless people when it banned them from sleeping in public parks.

All people have the right to shelter from the elements and a safe space to sleep, the court ruled. This has implica-

tions for all municipalities.

DJ Larkin, the lead counsel for Pivot Legal Society representing Abbotsford’s homeless, notes that we’ve been in limbo: stuck between courts wary of wading into politics by telling governments they have a responsibility to house people; and a lack of political will to solve housing cost problems for anyone, poor or middle-class.

That is shifting. Victoria has gone from evicting the homeless from parks, to musing about setting up a tent city, to recently paying homeless people \$20 each for input on temporary housing options. Medicine Hat, Alta., meanwhile, claims to have ended homelessness altogether (a feat Vancouver promised and failed to do by 2015).

Both Ontario and Alberta have also vowed to end homelessness (Alberta by 2017, Ontario with no fixed date).

During the federal election, all three major parties campaigned on policies that would address the furor over housing costs, and the Liberals will now be expected to implement their promised National Housing Strategy.

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# Jojo turns struggles into song material

## NEW ALBUM

### Singer mines breakups for emotions she needs to write

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Many people still think of Jojo as the tween from her *Too Little Too Late* days, but the pop singer is back and getting the attention of both her old fans and new ones.

After a seven-year battle with her former label that would not release her third album, Jojo has a new deal with Atlantic Records, three new songs and a new full album in the works.

"I try not to think of it as being burned but as just part of my journey," she says of the industry drama.

"It gave me an edge and ability to be equipped this time around."

Jojo tells us she was going through a breakup when she started working on the new songs.

"I was in a state of high emotion when I started recording," she says.

## + WORKOUT TIPS

### Jojo's secrets for washboard abs

Jojo rocks a crop top in the *When Love Hurts* music video and it's easy to see why — she's in sick shape. Here, she shares her tips:

#### 1. Vary your workout.

"I have fun trying out different workouts. I do CrossFit and belong to a gym, where I do cardio intervals."

#### 2. Incorporate weights.

"Holding a weighted bar or weighted plate is good for deepening cuts. I feel strong when my core is strong."

#### 3. Try active resistance training.

"I like working against my natural weight to tone," she says.

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Her music has always been influenced by her love life, which she admits isn't always a good thing.

"Sometimes I stay in situations longer for material and for the emotions they bring up," the 24-year-old says.

"As I get older, I realize that's not really good. I need to chill. But the content it creates is sometimes worth the struggle."

In just three weeks the *When Love Hurts* music video racked up well over a million views and Jojo says she was shocked by all the attention.

"I was wicked surprised! I was scared and wasn't sure what the response was going to be, but it's an incredible feeling knowing when I go

(on tour) I'll see so many familiar and new faces."

And while she's excited about the new songs, she doesn't mind taking a trip down memory lane singing her early hits.

"I actually enjoy performing (them) more now," she says.

"I didn't love *Leave (Get Out)* when I put it out, and now that I'm older and I've loved, it has a new meaning for me.

"I've definitely kicked somebody out of my house, so I get it now!"

**Jojo says she was in a state of high emotion when she started recording her new songs.** CONTRIBUTED



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With November upon us, we're lined up out the door to indulge in our favourite hot beverages. Starbucks comes to mind with all their tasty drinks, ranging from Pumpkin Spice Lattes, Peppermint Mochas, and the return of the red cups just in time for Christmas. But the classic Hot Chocolate is still one of the most popular to indulge in — sweet and creamy comfort in a cup. A twist on the traditional hot cocoa, a warm White Chocolate Mocha is even more of an indulgence. Decadent for sure — and beware, this sweet treat is not so innocent!

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**Calories** 290

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**Sugar** 41g

**Grande White Chocolate Mocha**
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**Fat** 18g

**Saturated fats** 12g

**Sugar** 60g

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The regular Hot Chocolate uses a syrup rather than chocolate, and opting to skip the whipped cream makes a difference as well. The White Chocolate Mocha is higher in calories, fat and sugar due to the addition of white chocolate, as well as the whipped topping. You've just ended up with **one quarter of your daily calories** and one and a half days' worth of sugar.

# Enterovirus panic subsides — for now

**STUDY**
**Doctors expect fewer cases this year after 2014 outbreak**

What a difference a year makes.

In late summer and fall of 2014, doctors were reporting clusters of children across the U.S. and Canada being hospitalized with severe respiratory distress due to enterovirus D68, a bug that hadn't caused an outbreak in North America for years.

This year, it appears EV-D68 has disappeared from the mix of cold viruses giving people runny noses and congested lungs — but how long it will stay quiescent is anybody's guess.

"I think we're not going to see it this year," said Dr. Danuta Skowronski, an infectious disease specialist at the B.C. Centre for Disease Control, who is involved in the tracking of pathogens like EV-D68. "We found no enterovirus D68 detections between Aug. 1 and the end of September this year," she said, referring to testing of patients with respiratory illnesses. Last year at this time, B.C. had already recorded 18 patients with EV-D68, 13 of whom needed to be hospitalized.

"I don't say it's been eliminated, but I don't think it's going to circulate at the kind of widespread epidemic levels" seen last year, Skowronski predicted.

And widespread it was — even more so than initially thought, suggests a study led by Skowronski and published online last week in the journal EuroSurveillance.

While most studies of the 2014 outbreak looked at only cases requiring hospital admission to determine incidence and prevalence rates, the B.C. study included both hospital-



Children infected with enterovirus were hospitalized 15 to 20 times more often than adults. ISTOCK

**I don't say it's been eliminated, but I don't think it's going to circulate at the kind of widespread epidemic levels (seen last year) Dr. Danuta Skowronski**

and community-based patients to get a more accurate picture of EV-D68's effect on the population, using surveillance data from B.C., Alberta and Quebec.

Overall, researchers found an eight-fold increase in detections of the virus from October to December 2014, compared to the same period a year earlier.

They also found that an equal proportion of children and young adults who saw a community-based doctor for a respiratory illness tested positive for EV-D68, suggesting that a wide range of

age groups was susceptible to the virus — not just children.

However, children infected with the virus were admitted to hospital at a rate 15 to 20 times higher than adults, Skowronski said. As well, kids under age 10 had a four- to five-fold higher rate of hospitalization related to EV-D68 than did those age 10 to 19.

Skowronski said ongoing surveillance in both community and hospital settings is needed so researchers can learn more about EV-D68's incidence.

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# Kathy Griffin for president



## INTERVIEW

### Comedian talks Trump, Oscars and death threats

**Ned Ehrbar**  
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Kathy Griffin doesn't have time to pull punches. The wise-cracking comic is currently hurtling through an 80-city U.S. tour and she's keeping her act fresh each night thanks to the likes of Donald Trump and Chris Christie.

**You should moderate all of the debates going forward.**  
Yes, I should. I'd like to really get down to when it's just that one tiny table with the

last two candidates. This time it will just be Trump and Hillary ... because as a comedian I kind of want this to keep going even though as a human and a feminist I don't — but I do have a fantasy that Melania Trump is some sort of trump card, if you will, and she's the new Jackie O and we don't know it, and she's going to be this incredible ambassador and she's been hiding her multiple degrees from MIT and Oxford. Maybe she's going to be the new Eleanor Roosevelt.

**So Trump is the new FDR?**  
Which is the next obvious conclusion. That is how crazy it's gotten. He's really fooling us all in a way that is entertaining and frightening. I'm more qualified to be president.

**Would you like to formally announce your candidacy?**

Well, yes. But I think that my VP should be Donald Trump Jr. And my entire cabinet will be made up of Palins, and then obviously Ann Coulter will be my secretary of defence. We're going to keep America great again (laughs). No, I am hashtag ready for Hillary.

**Want to talk Chris Christie?**  
It's fine for him to stay in the Jersey area, but you can't send New Jersey to another country. Could you imagine him sitting down with Justin Trudeau? He doesn't know who that is!

**What about yourself as an Oscar host?**  
Oh my gosh, I would love it. There is just a mountain of sexism in Hollywood, and I freely say it because I'm 54 and have two Emmys and a

Grammy — I'm half way to an EGOT — and I just sold out the Kennedy Center in June, and I'm often just not considered for these things, so I don't know. I think when I was younger people were kind of afraid of me, but I think I've proven myself now.

**Do you worry about your act making you enemies?**  
I'm not saying Demi Lovato is actively trying to kill me, but her fan army, they have taken to the social media and been very specific about ways that they want to put a machine gun up my butt, cut me with razors. That is something that is actually unprecedented in the history of comedy. In the Clinton era you could make fun of Monica Lewinsky and the jizz on the dress, and no one tried to kill you for it.

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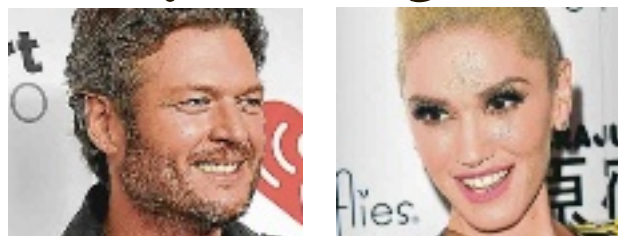
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## ROMANCE

### Gwen and Blake were totally holding hands



Freshly divorced The Voice judges Gwen Stefani and Blake Shelton continue to stoke rumours of inter-office romance, this time by spending some quality time together at a pair of festive Halloween bashes thrown by Jared Leto and George Clooney's tequila company — yes, you read that correctly — in Beverly Hills.

"Stefani stayed for about 40 minutes (at the Clooney party), then left the house holding Shelton's hand," a source tells Enter-

tainment Tonight. "Shelton and Stefani apparently let go of each other's grasp, however, when they noticed a photographer in sight."

As far as costumes, maybe we can read something into the fact that Stefani dressed as a bloodied-up cowgirl — country music influence, perhaps? — while Shelton donned a poncho and a trucker hat. I can only assume he was dressed up as ... Blake Shelton. NED EHRBAR/FOR METRO

## SCHUMER'S STATUS, SWIFT LAWSUIT

### Amy Schumer's frank love-life update

Amy Schumer is not just a successful comedian, actress and budding author. She's also an incredibly helpful information source. Especially when it comes to her love life. While accepting the Charlie Chaplin Britannia Award for Excellence in Comedy from BAFTA recently, Schumer was asked if she's currently seeing anyone, and she responded thusly:

"No, my vagina remains vacant."

So poetic, so straightforward. So ... evocative.

And how much would it take to get into said destination for a willing suitor?

"At least five dollars."

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### Swift getting sued by guy who says she got haters, players idea from him

It's possible Taylor Swift won't even notice, but she's being sued by R&B singer Jesse Braham for \$42 million over claims that she ripped off lyrics from his 2013 track Haters Gone Hate for her hit Shake it Off, according to the Daily News.

But don't worry, it's not going to get very far.

"Mr. Braham, who is representing himself, cannot claim copyright protection for the phrases 'haters gone hate' and 'players gone play,'" a legal expert tells Perez Hilton. "The Copyright Act does not protect short phrases, and these phrases are not original to him."

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## MUSIC

### Artists arrange their releases around Adele

How do you know when your new album is a big deal?

When other super-famous artists are arranging their release schedules around you, that's when. And that's apparently what's been happening around the Nov. 20 release of Adele's latest, 25, at least according to one music biz insider.

"The major labels have realized it's essential they get out any big releases before then because from Nov. 20 it's likely to be about one woman only," an anonymous source tells MSN.

"That's why Justin Bieber,

Kylie Minogue and One Direction are going head-to-head the week before. Usually the record companies would want a No. 1 album with artists that big, but in this case they simply want to get the album out there before Adele."

She's just trying to say hello, guys.

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## WHAT I'M WATCHING THE AFFAIR, SEASON 1, EPISODE 9 (TMN)

## This is a startling moment, because we haven't seen this Alison before

**Johanna Schneller**  
For Metro Canada



## The shampoo

Alison (Ruth Wilson) and Noah (Dominic West) — who spent the past eight episodes falling in love, even though they're both married to other people — have just had sex in his marital bed in Park Slope, Brooklyn. (His wife Helen and their four kids are away.)

Alison takes a shower. She reaches for a bottle of pricey-looking shampoo, looks on the bottom for a price tag, and gives a low whistle. (Helen grew up wealthy, and has expensive taste. Alison is a small-town waitress.) She pours some shampoo into her hand to wash her hair. A mischievous look crosses her face. She squeezes half the bottle down the drain.

Now, this is a startling moment, because we haven't seen this Alison before. Each episode is divided in two — half tells the story from her point of view, the other half



Alison reveals a not-so-sweet side of herself in episode 9 of *The Affair*. HANDOUT

tells Noah's. In Alison's version of herself, she's sweet and simple; in Noah's, she's mysterious and demanding. But the shampoo incident occurs in Alison's half. It's a rare admission of her nasty side, and it made me reassess what I think of her. I've since seen episode 10 (the finale of Season 1), and four episodes of season two, but I went back to look at Shampoo Alison again because it's such

a provocative detail. That quality has yet to reappear in her character, but I hope it does, because it threw me for such a loop. I'm still trying to figure it — and therefore her — out.

**Johanna Schneller** is a media connoisseur who zeroes in on pop-culture moments. She appears Monday through Thursday

## TV BRIEFS

## Serial podcast launching Season 2 on Pandora

The top-rated and popular podcast Serial will launch its second season on Pandora after debuting on iTunes last year.

Pandora announced Monday that it has become the exclusive streaming partner for the award-winning podcast as well as *This American Life*, of which Serial is a spinoff.

The first season, which included 12 episodes, told the story of Adnan Syed, a Baltimore high school student who was found guilty in 2000 of murdering his ex-girlfriend Hae Min Lee.

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## New subscribers-only Star Trek series to debut

*Star Trek* is going boldly where it hasn't gone before with a brand-new edition of the sci-fi TV empire.

CBS Television Studios said Monday the "totally new" series will arrive in January 2017. But it will be available exclusively on CBS All Access, CBS' subscription streaming video service. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## CRIME AND PUNISHMENT

## Bieber finishes his sentence in egg case

Justin Bieber's cleanup work at a homeless shelter has paid off, with a judge agreeing Monday to take him off formal probation in a vandalism case filed after he damaged a neighbour's home with eggs.

Bieber's attorney presented proof Monday that the pop singer had completed 40 hours of community labour, the final term of his sentence in misdemeanor case.

A program manager at a homeless shelter where Bieber completed many of the hours praised Bieber for being willing to get "his hands dirty" by performing maintenance and janitorial work, according to a probation report filed Monday.

Bieber was required to perform community labour, repay around \$80,000 in damage to his neighbour's house and undergo anger management counselling as part of his sentence. His progress completing work at the homeless shelter was slowed by an ankle injury, but Bieber has received favourable reports from probation officials throughout the case.



Justin Bieber GETTY IMAGES

Bieber was sued earlier this year by Jeff and Suzanne Schwartz, his former neighbours whose home he damaged in January 2014.

Jeff Schwartz's suit also accuses Bieber of terrorizing his family with loud driving, unsafe driving and claims the singer spit in his face during one incident.

Bieber, 21, has since moved out of the gated community. He did not attend Monday's hearing.

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With free admission and online registration open until two hours prior to the start of

the event before switching to onsite registration, the MBA Tour will feature panel sessions, school presentations, resume reviews by professionals, one-on-one time with admissions directors through MeetUp, which allows admissions directors to invite registered candidates to meet with them for 20 minutes during the event, and more. "There will be a wide range of top Canadian business schools represented, in addition to schools from the U.S., Europe, and other regions of the world," says Swan. "Because business schools come to the MBA Tour to promote their graduate business degrees, this can encompass full- and part-time MBA, online MBA, EMBA programs and more."

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More viewers tuned into Sunday Night Football (average of 23 million) than Game 5 of the World Series (17.2 million)

## Two-game suspension for Senators' corner-Stone

NHL

### Cameron angry at punishment; top scorer has clean record

The Ottawa Senators will have some familiar faces back in their lineup against Montreal Canadiens on Tuesday night, but they will be without leading scorer Mark Stone.

Stone was suspended for two games as a result of his hit to the head of Detroit's Landon Ferraro on Saturday night.

Stone, who leads the Senators with 13 points, was assessed a minor penalty for an illegal check to the head during the game. Ferraro initially left the game but did return.

"We're obviously disappointed with the decision to suspend Mark," said Senators general manager Bryan Murray. "He has no history of illegal hits and we feel he was in pursuit of the puck and fighting for his ice when the contact occurred. While discouraging to us, we're left to accept the league's ruling."

The league called the hit a "reckless shoulder to the head." Stone, who is not a repeat offender, forfeits US\$37,634.40 in salary and will also miss Ottawa's game Thursday against the Winnipeg Jets.

Following Monday's practice,



Mark Stone has 13 points so far this season for the Senators. MINAS PANAGIOTAKIS/GETTY IMAGES

Senators coach Dave Cameron said, in his opinion, the hit was a result of the speed of the game.

"I thought it was a hockey play, and the league thinks it's a hit to the head," Cameron said. "That's all that matters ... what the league thinks. It doesn't matter what I think."

"That's a hockey play. The speed of the game. There's certainly no intent, no intent what-

soever." The suspension is sure to irk Cameron even more as he couldn't understand why no penalty was assessed to Henrik Zetterberg when he hit Jean-Gabriel Pageau on Friday night, resulting in Pageau getting a bloody nose.

With Stone out, the Senators are getting some reinforcement. Mike Hoffman, who missed four games due to a groin injury, and

Curtis Lazar, who missed three games due to a concussion, have been cleared to play.

Hoffman, who has four goals and eight points, is expected to return to the top line alongside Kyle Turris. Lazar appeared to be the extra forward Monday at practice, but he's hopeful to get back into the lineup as soon as possible now that he has full medical clearance.



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Senators GM Bryan Murray

"I'm excited, I'm antsy, I just want to get out there again and help the guys," said Lazar.

The Senators will face Mike Condon, as star goalie Carey Price is sidelined with an injury. Earlier this season Condon made 20 saves in a 3-1 victory over the Senators and is a perfect 4-0 this season. Cameron opted not to name his starting goalie but said he would ultimately go with whoever he felt gave the team the best chance to win. The Senators have struggled with consistency of late, and Cameron admitted it's frustrating.

In many ways Cameron is seeing two teams. Ottawa is 4-1-0 on the road, but a dismal 1-3-2 at home. "We seem to play with more emotion on the road," said Cameron. "At home I don't see that spark. It's something we've been talking about, something obviously we've addressed numerous times and we still haven't found the solution to it yet."

Cameron says he's baffled by the roller-coaster play and says it's on the players to "own it."

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NHL

## McDavid is rookie of the month

Connor McDavid is the NHL's rookie of the month after putting up five goals and seven assists in his first 12 games for the Edmonton Oilers.

McDavid stood out in a strong class of rookies, which includes Max Domi of the Arizona Coyotes (11 points in 11 games), Artem Panarin of the Chicago Blackhawks (10 points in 11 games), Nikolaj Ehlers of the Winnipeg Jets (eight points in 11 games) and Colton Parayko of the St. Louis Blues (seven points in 11 games).



Connor McDavid GETTY IMAGES

Dallas Stars captain Jamie Benn, who leads the league in scoring with 17 points, was named the first star of the month. Montreal Canadiens goaltender Carey Price, who went 7-2-0 with a 2.01 goals-against average, .936 save percentage and two shutouts before suffering a lower-body injury, was the second star.

Boston Bruins centre David Krejci earned third-star honours with 15 points in 10 games. Teammate Brad Marchand was the first star of the week. Blues goaltender Jake Allen was the second star and Edmonton's Taylor Hall was named the third star of the week.

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## Under-fire Mourinho given misconduct ban

Chelsea manager Jose Mourinho has been given a one-match stadium ban and a 40,000-pound (\$61,700) fine by the English Football Association after admitting to a charge of misconduct toward the referee during a loss to West Ham last month.

Mourinho's punishment will take effect immediately, meaning he will miss



Jose Mourinho THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

the trip to Stoke in the Premier League on Saturday. The Portuguese was sent to the stands by the referee against West Ham on Oct. 24, and the FA said the coach "admitted an FA charge of misconduct regarding his behaviour towards the match officials."

Reigning champions Chelsea currently languish in 15th in the Premier League.

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### IN BRIEF

#### City's Toure again on African player of the year shortlist

Yaya Toure and Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang were among the 10 nominees announced on Monday for the African player of the year award.

Toure led Ivory Coast to its first African Cup of Nations title in 23 years in February. The Manchester City midfielder has won the last five awards. Aubameyang, a forward for Gabon and Borussia Dortmund, was runner-up to Toure in the last two votes. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

#### Blow for Steelers as Bell out for season with injury

Steelers All-Pro running back Le'Veon Bell is done for the season after Pittsburgh placed him on injured reserve Monday.

Bell hurt his right knee in a 16-10 loss against Cincinnati on Sunday.

In six games this season — he missed two while serving a league suspension — Bell rushed for 556 yards on 113 carries with three touchdowns. He had 24 receptions for 136 yards. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CFL

## Injured Durant eyes early Riders return

Saskatchewan Roughriders quarterback Darian Durant says he'll be ready to return from a season-ending Achilles tendon injury by January.

Durant suffered the injury in the Riders' season-opening loss to Winnipeg. But in a rare bit of good news for the struggling Roughriders, the 2013 Grey Cup-winning quarterback said his recovery is ahead of schedule.

"I'm feeling good. If I can stay healthy, I still feel like I'm the best quarterback in this league



### I still feel like I'm the best QB in this league.

Darian Durant

and I'm out to prove that," Durant told reporters Monday. He said the next move is to work on sprinting exercises and plans to spend the off-season working out in Regina. THE CANADIAN PRESS



## WORLD SERIES

## Kings of comebacks crowned champions

The jersey that Eric Hosmer wore in the decisive game of the World Series is headed to the Hall of Fame. So is the glove Salvador Perez used, the spikes Lorenzo Cain laced up and the bat that third baseman Mike Moustakas took to the plate.

Maybe they ought to ask for the goal posts from the University of Kansas.

Those were torn down inside Memorial Stadium in the wee hours Monday morning, shortly after the Royals beat the

New York Mets to win their first championship in three decades. Thousands of fans shot off fireworks, stormed sporting goods retailers to buy the latest apparel, and spent the night partying as if it was New Year's Eve in downtown Kansas City.

"Our fan base and our team share a real special bond," Hosmer said. "That's grown throughout the whole entire world, I think, as the fans have watched us compete throughout this post-season."

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All told, K.C. trailed by at least two runs in seven of its 11 playoff wins.

The Royals won 95 games during the regular season and earned home-field advantage throughout the playoffs. But they never seemed to be the favourites in any of their post-

season series.

They trailed in all five games against the Mets, winning three times when they were down in the eighth inning or later — something no team had ever accomplished. In the decider, the Royals became the first team since the 1939 Yankees to trail by two runs in the ninth inning or later of a potential clinching game and somehow rally to victory. They walked off with a 7-2 win after 12 innings.

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Mark Shapiro had worked for the Cleveland Indians since 1992 and spent the last five seasons as their team president.

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## Shapiro faces music of AA's exit

## BLUE JAYS

### New president says Gibbons will return to manage team

Mark Shapiro stepped into the media firing line on his first day on the job as president and chief executive officer of the Toronto Blue Jays.

Peppered with repeated questions about the departure of Alex Anthopoulos, the longtime baseball executive didn't shine any light on why the former general manager decided to move on.

"Not the transition that I originally expected," Shapiro said.

"Not the opening press conference that I had envisioned."

It was a somewhat awkward 45-minute introductory session Monday at Rogers Centre, but the polished and engaging Shapiro was up to the task. He

took care of a few business items at the start, announcing that assistant GM Tony LaCava would replace Anthopoulos on an interim basis and confirming that manager John Gibbons will return next year.

Shapiro called it an "incredibly exciting time" to be joining the Blue Jays and he expressed a desire to honour the passion that the now-retired Paul Beeston provided as team president. But the main talking point was Anthopoulos's surprise decision

to turn down a new contract after building a team that came two wins away from reaching the World Series.

"A lot has been written the past week obviously, most of it speculation, second-hand, a lot of it untrue," Shapiro said. "All that Alex communicated was honest and forthright."

Anthopoulos turned down a five-year extension last week amid reports of a difference in vision with the new president. The 38-year-old Montreal native would only say he didn't feel like it would be the right fit, adding it was his choice to leave.

Shapiro said he was disappointed and surprised that Anthopoulos turned down the team's offer.

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**We made every effort afterwards to try to do everything we could to convince Alex to come back.**

Mark Shapiro

"It was my sincere hope that I would have the chance to learn from him, to partner with him and to work with him," he said. "Yet he's obviously earned the right to make the decision he made and I respect

that decision.

"With that respect and the finality of that decision, it's time to move forward."

Anthopoulos was a popular figure in Toronto, particularly after he acquired stars Troy Tulowitzki and David Price at the trade deadline. The deals helped the Jays reach the playoffs for the first time in 22 years. His decision to leave the team at the height of its resurgence was deeply unpopular with Blue Jays fans. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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- 1 Tbsp salt
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- Salt and pepper to taste

Directions

1. Combine penne, arugula, sweet potato, garlic, shallot, rosemary, 2 Tbsp oil, salt and water in a stock pot. Bring to boil over high heat. Cook, stirring pasta frequently, until pasta is cooked al dente and water is nearly evaporated, about 10 minutes.
2. Remove pot from heat and take out the rosemary stem. Stir in the last tablespoon of oil, cheese and season with salt and pepper to taste. Serve with another sprinkle of cheese.

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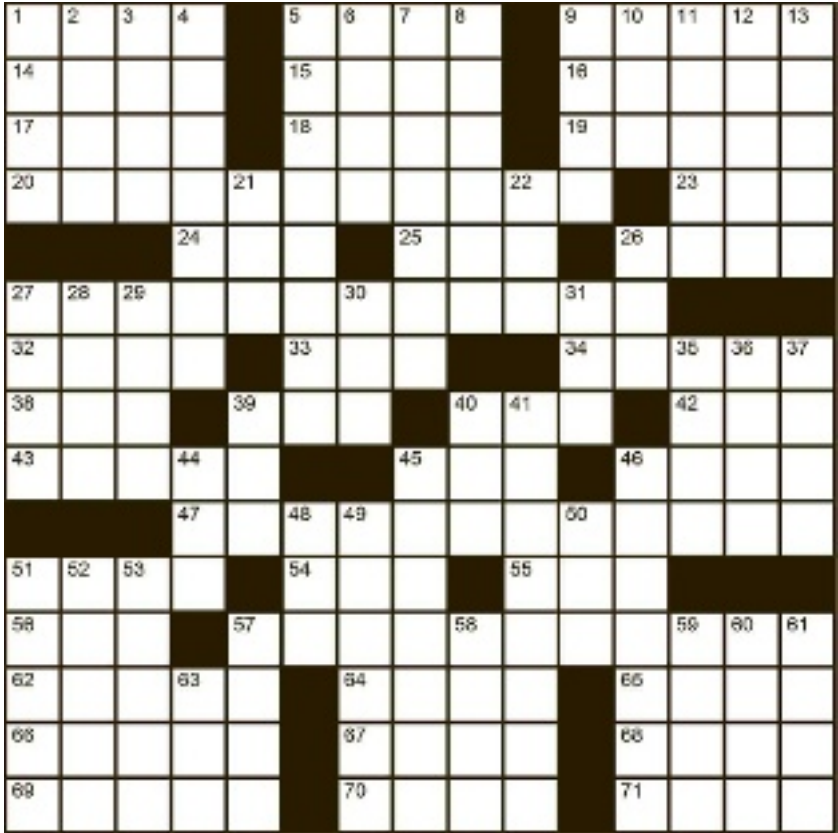
Ingredients

- 500 grams penne pasta
- 8 cups baby arugula
- 1 sweet potato, diced into small cubes
- 4 garlic cloves, thinly sliced
- 1 shallot, cut into thinly sliced
- 1 sprig of rosemary
- 3 Tbsp of olive oil, plus 1 for garnish

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ACROSS

1. Serving of mushy food
5. Legis. meeting
9. Moon-related
14. Bear of cartoons
15. \_\_ Wyck (1941 book by Victoria artist Emily Carr)
16. Purpose
17. Daybreak, in verse
18. Twelvemonth
19. Ancient water nymph
20. Modern way to potentially meet a mate: 2 wds.
23. Lucky number, ancient Rome style
24. “\_\_ \_ don’t.” (Retort to “Yes, you do.”)
25. Figure skater Ms. Babilonia
26. \_\_ off (Repel)
27. Thrift store with locations in Canada: 2 wds.
32. “What’s \_\_ for me?”: 2 wds.
33. Earlier than now
34. Empire of Mexico
38. Goose, in Gaspe
39. McSteamy and McDreamy, e.g.
40. Mata Hari, for one
42. Mr. Holbrook
43. “Party Rock Anthem” duo
45. Me: French
46. Unadorned
47. Recently released Drake single: 2 wds.
51. Shrub
54. Come in first
55. Dove’s murmur



56. And so forth, for short
57. Canadian director of Adele’s “Hello” music video: 2 wds.
62. Broadcaster
64. Nylons hue
65. Currency in Chile
66. Going-under-

- water gear
67. Droops
68. At all?
69. Certain cat
70. Hot to \_\_
71. “Oh, give me a home where the Buffalo \_\_...”

DOWN

1. Rep-doing facilities
2. Ribbon’s bow part
3. Monster
4. Pesto’s one-of-some ingredient: 2 wds.
5. Parachutist
6. Zeno of \_\_ (Ancient

- Greek philosopher)
7. City in a Tom Hanks/Meg Ryan romantic comedy
8. Soap Opera, for one
9. Breather’s need
10. Steve Miller Band song: “Living in the \_\_.”
11. Gullible
12. “Encore!”
13. Made over
21. Deer’s mom
22. Ms. Peeples
26. “That ‘70s Show” character played by Wilmer Valderrama
27. Played-with-a-bow instrument
28. Cartooning, curtsy
29. Poet’s ‘willingly’
30. U.S. tax bureau
31. Marcia \_\_ Harden
35. Spicy cuisine
36. Garner
37. Horsefly
39. Ski-\_\_
40. “\_\_ of the Mask” (2005)
41. Dessert component that needs to be filled: 2 wds.
44. Ohh’s kin
45. Small vehicle
46. Television actor’s mistake
48. Ex-airline
49. Most happening-right-now television broadcast, say
50. Physique, for short
51. Creature
52. Mohawk Valley city in New York
53. Pre-surgery cleanse
57. Skeleton snapshot
58. Consequently
59. Prefix that means ‘To the left’
60. Aboard the ship
61. Benchmark
63. \_\_ tide

★ IT’S ALL IN THE STARS by Sally Brompton

**Aries** March 21 - April 20  
You have pushed yourself hard and may need to slow down a bit. Today’s Venus-Mars union encourages you to spend less time at work and more time with the people you love — and one very special person in particular.

**Taurus** April 21 - May 21  
You think you can take on the world and win. Confidence is a wonderful thing, and with your ruler Venus on good terms with dynamic Mars today nothing is beyond you. Go for it!

**Gemini** May 22 - June 21  
Keep lines of communication open. You don’t have to pretend that you like certain people but you do have to work with them and that means you have to talk to them too.

**Cancer** June 22 - July 23  
It will be easy to get your message across today. The people you deal with seem much more receptive. The only danger is that once you start talking you may not be able to stop!

**Leo** July 24 - Aug. 23  
Be practical where money is concerned. Cosmic activity in the financial area of your chart warns you could give too much away. Cut back on your spending a bit and on your generosity a lot.

**Virgo** Aug. 24 - Sept. 23  
The union of Venus and Mars in your sign means you will be a lot more assertive but also that you will be able to charm other people to give you whatever it is you desire.

**Libra** Sept. 24 - Oct. 23  
Assess your life in depth. Some conclusions you reach will surprise you. You may see yourself as a thinking person but it is your emotions you should pay more attention to now.

**Scorpio** Oct. 24 - Nov. 22  
You may have to give up on something that is never going to work but there is no need to feel bad about it. New opportunities will present themselves over the next few weeks.

**Sagittarius** Nov. 23 - Dec. 21  
You will no longer be content to play a minor or supporting role at work. The fact is you have more talent in your little finger than many of your colleagues have in their whole bodies, so make sure you get noticed.

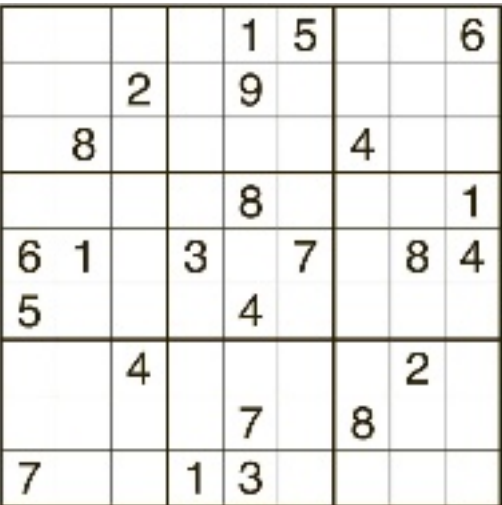
**Capricorn** Dec. 22 - Jan. 20  
You will find it easier to understand why certain people think and act the way they do. It takes all sorts to make a world and you have no more right to demand that they be different than they have to demand it of you.

**Aquarius** Jan. 21 - Feb. 19  
There is nothing to fear but fear itself. Of course, it is easier to say that than to believe, but if you face each challenge calmly you may be surprised by how easily you cope.

**Pisces** Feb. 20 - March 20  
You must decide whether or not you are going to commit to a partnership of a personal or professional nature. With Venus and Mars on your side you are sure to make the right call.

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